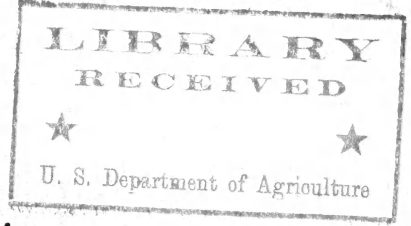


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1941 Price List

# Hardy Perennials

Grown in Severe Climate of Northern New York

*Stone W. C.*  
**Walter C. Stone**

**Camden, New York**

**Mail Address**  
**17 Second Street**

**Nursery at**  
**110 Main Street**

## PLEASE READ BEFORE ORDERING

**Shipping**—All plants offered in this catalog will be shipped xprss collect.

Iris will be shipped postpaid. Perennials will be shipped as early in the spring as the ground thaws, ordinarily about the middle of April. It will continue until the ground freezes or becomes covered with snow.

**Terms**—All cash. No orders sent C. O. D. For orders under \$1 please add 25% to cover packing costs. If you send stamps, we prefer 1½ or 3-cent denominations.

**Substitutions**—There will be no substitutions for plants which we are unable to supply except at the specific request of the customer. If it is impossible to fill an order completely the difference will be refunded at once.

**Guarantee**—If it isn't what you ordered, or if it dies, I'll make it good, by replacement or by cash, at my option.

## General List of Perennial Plants

**ACHILLEA PTARMICA** (The Pearl)  
Clusters of small, double white flowers. Excellent for cutting and a gem in the border. Our strain is fully double. Late June and July. 18 inches. **\$.25**

**ALYSSUM SAXATILE COMPACTUM** (Basket of Gold) Dense heads of golden-yellow flowers in early spring. For open, dry locations. Foliage must be protected from moisture over winter. 9 inches. **.25**

**ANCHUSA MYOSOTIDIFLORA** (Forget-me-not-flowered Anchusa)  
Mounds of dainty blue flowers in sprays, in early spring. 1 foot. Our stock limited. **.30**

**ANTHEMIS TINCTORIA** (Yellow Chamomile) Lemon-yellow daisy-like flowers on vigorous plants two feet tall. A bit weedy, but will grow in the poorest soils. Good for cutting. **.20**

**AQUILEGIA** (Columbine) Long-spurred hybrids. Excellent for border or for cutting. Mixed colors. 3 for **.75**

**ARABIS ALPINA** (Rock Cress) Masses of pure white flowers in early spring. Silvery-green foliage. Fine in rock gardens, and also used for edgings. Good for dry places. 9 inches. **.25**

**ARTEMISIA, SILVER KING** (Ghost Plant) Very decorative foliage plant, with finely cut silver-gray leaves. Striking in the border and excellent mixed with cut flowers or as winter bouquet. Perfectly hardy, and free from diseases or pests. **.25**

**ASTER, HARDY.** These were derived from the roadside fall asters, and their flowers are of the same shape, but hybridizers have developed plants of much more desirable characteristics and have brought out colors and shades unknown in their wild cousins. For bright spots in the fall border and for cut flowers they are indispensable. The dwarf varieties also make excellent low hedges. Very hardy and require little care.

**Harrington's Pink**--Large flowers of deep rose pink, freely borne on plants up to four feet tall. Excellent for cutting. **.30**

"You will be glad to know that the package of iris was delivered safely to us after we left Frisco. We sailed Friday noon. I have opened them and found only one tiny speck of mold on one. They look in fine condition, and if my memory serves me at all well I think you have sent me some exceptionally fine varieties. I do so love flowers and shall greatly enjoy helping these to grow for the pleasure of the Chinese as well as ourselves, for they are great lovers of flowers, too." S. S. President Coolidge, en route to China. (Note: These were dug Aug. 1 and were finally planted in Hunan Province, China, in December.)

**Beechwood Challenger**—Red. Alater than garden pinks, and are tall-glowing thing in the garden, with hardly a hint of purple. Compact, well branched plant, up to 3½ feet tall. Clean, healthy foliage. Our stock limited. **.35**

**Blue Jacket**—A deep rich blue. Plenty of flowers produced on a fine three-foot bush. Only a few for sale. **.30**

**BAPTISIA AUSTRALIS** (False Indigo) Bright blue flowers resembling lupines in June and July on spreading bush 3½ feet tall. **.30**

**CAMPANULA MEDIUM** (Canterbury Bells) (biennial) Mixed colors, pink, blue and white, mostly doubles, a few may be single. June. 3 for **.60**

**CAMPANULA PERSICIFOLIA** (Peachleaf Bellflower) Bright blue or white bell-like flowers carried in spires. Bloom for a long period during the summer. Good for cutting. **.25**

**CARNATION, HARDY GARDEN** Spicily fragrant flowers in white, pinks and reds. A mixture of singles, doubles and semi-doubles, all excellent for cutting. Bloom about a month

**CERASTIUM TOMENTOSUM** (Snow-in-Summer) Spreading plant with silvery leaves, covered with masses of white flowers in June. Borders and rockeries, and especially good for dry walls. 6 inches. **.20**

**CHRYSANthemUM** Korean hybrids. These are perfectly hardy, but in northern New York and New England the flowers are likely to be spoiled by heavy frosts before they are well in bloom. They will endure light frosts, and even sleet and snow if the temperature is just below freezing, but customers in localities where "killing" frosts come early should pass these by and be content with the cushion type, unless they wish to take the trouble of protecting the plants, or forcing them into bloom early with black cloth.

**Lavender Lady**—Double flowers, and a real beauty. Plants are very vigorous and the foliage is so healthy that we find it unnecessary to spray or dust this variety. **.30**

## Five Different Dwarf Hardy Asters In Husky Clumps

\$ **1**  
only

Many of our customers divide clumps of this size into several plants before setting them out. This most useful of all fall-blooming perennials at this price is probably the biggest bargain in this catalog. They can be shipped any time from early spring to late fall.

Dwarf varieties. Mound-shaped plants 1 to 1½ feet tall, almost completely hidden by bloom in late summer and early fall. Completely hardy and require no protection against diseases or pests. Fine for borders, rock gardens and low hedges. Excellent for cutting. Good-sized clumps.

**Lady Henry Maddocks**—Shell pink. 1 foot.

**Lilactime**—Vivid lavender-pink. 1½ feet.

**Marjorie**—Bright pink. 1½ feet.

**Niobe**—White. 9 inches.

**Victor**—Lavender-blue. 1 foot.

## My Plants HAVE to be TOUGH!

Temperatures of thirty degrees below zero are not rare in this part of north-central New York State, and usually we can count on a full five months of definitely winter weather. Often it is the middle of April before the snow has completely disappeared from our nursery.

But I don't believe in coddling plants. Every plant we grow must go through these long, severe winters without any "winter protection" whatever. Plants which won't stand that treatment are not, in my opinion, thoroughly hardy, and if they aren't I don't want anything to do with them. They have to be TOUGH!

**King Midas**—Striking bronze-yellow, with large flowers. Another vigorous variety. **.25**

**The Moor**—Rich dark red, double. **.25**

**Romany**—Carmine red, with gold on reverse of petals. A grand flower, but if you live north of the Mohawk Valley don't bother with it. We see its bloom one year in three in the open field here. **.25**

**Single Red**—Bright bronze-red. Striking in the garden. Its blooming time will beat the heavy frosts about half the time here. Vigorous. **.20**

**CHRYSANTHEMUM.** Cushion or azalea-flowered types. Lower and much earlier than the above, flowering from midsummer until frost. All are vigorous growers and can be thoroughly recommended for this northern climate.

**Pink or bronze**, semi-double. **.20**

**Seminole**, white, double. **.25**

**Pygmy Gold**, yellow double. **.25**

**COREOPSIS** (Tickseed, Golden Wave) Golden yellow single flowers on long, wiry stems. Keep well when cut and bloom from early summer until frost if kept from going to seed. 3 feet. **.20**

**DAISY, SHASTA.** Big white flowers on long stems. Excellent in garden or for cutting. Heavy clumps from seedlings selected for size of flower and healthiness of foliage. **.25**

## DIANTHUS—

**Barbatus**—Sweet William (biennial) Mixed colors. Mostly seedlings from dark reds. Fine old-fashioned flower with spicy fragrance. **.20**

**Deltoides**—Rock-garden pink. Tiny bright pink flowers on dense cushions of dark-green foliage in June and July. 8 inches. **.20**

**Plumarius**—Old-fashioned clove pink with characteristic fragrance. Belong in every flower garden, and are excellent for cutting. 1 foot. Bloom in June. Mixed shades of pink **.25**

**DIGITALIS** (Foxglove) (biennial) Thimble-like flowers in white, pink and lavender shades on stalks 3 to 4 feet tall. Half sun or shade. Protect leaves from moisture and smothering over winter. 3 for **.60**

**ECHINACEA PURPUREA** (Purple Coneflower) Large, light garnet-purple flowers with prominent cone-shaped center in July and August. Good for cutting. 3 to 4 feet. **.25**

**ERIGERON SPECIOSUS** (Midsummer Daisy) Delicate pinkish-lavender flowers resembling hardy asters in June and July. Thoroughly hardy and free from diseases. Good for cutting. Not particular about soil but must have full sun. Should be better known. **.20**

**GAILLARDIA** (Blanket Flower) Brilliant red and gold daisy-like flowers on wiry stems that grow vigorously in almost any soil and provide a profusion of flowers for cutting from early summer until fall. (Caution: In

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"The plants arrived in fine shape and I'm very much pleased with them."  
—N. Y.

this climate plants often freeze back to the root, in which case new shoots may not appear before Memorial Day. However, this will not keep them from blooming that year.) .25

**GYPHOPHILA, ROSY VEIL** (Pink Perennial Baby's Breath) Quantities of tiny double soft-pink flowers in July on a plant of spreading habit about 1½ feet tall. Excellent for cutting. .25

**HELLEBORUS NIGER** (Christmas Rose) Waxy white flowers with evergreen foliage blooming from November to March. Plant in a sheltered spot in woody soil. Said to do well under evergreens if the sun strikes them part of the day. Often found in bloom under the snow. Our stock limited. 1.00

**HEMEROCALIS** (Day Lily) The delightful, fragrant lemon lily now has cousins which extend the period of bloom over nearly the whole summer. They are not subject to diseases nor insect pests, will grow in any soil, and do well in sun or fairly heavy shade. Except for Flava, the old-fashioned lemon lily itself, some of these varieties may have to be withdrawn to increase stock.

**Apricot**, light orange, May, 2 feet. .25

**Calypso**, big lemon-yellow, July-August, 3½ feet. .25

**Dumortieri**, cadmium yellow, May-June, 2 feet. .25

**Flava**, lemon-yellow, May-June, 3 feet. .25

**Lemona**, pale yellow, large, July-Aug., up to 5 feet. .50

**Middendorfi**, orange-yellow, June, 2 feet. .25

**Mrs. A. H. Austin**, large deep gold, July-Aug., 3 feet. .50

**Mikado**, rich orange, spots mahogany, June-July, 3 feet. .75

**Ophir**, large yellow overlaid gold, Aug., 4 feet. .75

**Royal**, golden yellow, July, 3 feet. .25

**Sovereign**, orange-yellow, July, 3 feet. .75

**The Gem**, deep yellow-apricot, June-July, 3 feet. .50

**Thunbergi**, pale yellow, Aug., 3 feet. .25

**Vesta**, deep orange and gold, June-July, 2½ feet. .75

**HEUCHERA SANGUINEA** (Coral Bells) Dainty coral-red bells on slender two-foot stalks rising well above foliage. Long blooming period starting in June. Good for cutting, rockeries. Full sun or part shade. .25

**HOSTA** (August Lily, Plantain Lily) Large, fragrant, white lily-like blossoms rising from bright green foliage. August and September. Like part shade. .25

**IRIS**. Separate catalogue, listing more than 200 varieties of modern iris, will be issued in June.

**LIATRIS SPICATA** (Kansas Gayfeather) Tall spike closely set with small, fluffy rosy-purple flowers, July to September. 2 to 3 feet. Hardy. Good for cutting. .20

**LINUM PERENNE** (Perennial Flax) Attractive bushy plant, whose delicate foliage is hidden by steel blue flowers June and July mornings. The flowers drop off by noon on sunny days, but a new crop appears every morning for more than six weeks. .20

**NEPETA MUSSINI** (Catmint) Neat foot-high bushes covered with light blue flowers from May to September. Leaves and flowers aromatic. (The name of this sometimes is confused with common catnip, but you won't want to abandon this to the cats). .25

## VISITORS WELCOME!

Visitors are welcome at the nursery at any time, but customers who wish to take their plants away with them are requested to come after 4:30 P. M. weekdays or after 2 P. M. on Saturdays and Sundays.

The tall bearded irises usually are in bloom from shortly before Memorial Day until the last week in June, with the season varying somewhat according to spring weather. They are worth seeing when they are in bloom. Usually they are at their very best during the second week in June. But we'd be glad to see you any time.

"We received the iris in very good condition."—Ariz.

### I'D GO BROKE SENDING THESE PLANTS POSTPAID!

Most of the plants listed in this catalog are somewhat larger than are ordinarily supplied by mail, and some of the clumps are downright heavy, so that if I were to attempt to pay postage I'd go broke in no time. A few of the plants are small, and, except in the case of new and improved varieties that are still rather scarce and expensive, the smaller size is reflected in a lower price.

All plants except irises (which are shipped postpaid) will be sent express collect. But even when you pay the carrying charge, you will find the plants a real bargain when you compare them with many that are shipped postpaid. At least our customers seem to think so!

### NIEREMBERGIA RIVULARIS

(White Cup) A dainty plant for rockeries or the front of the border. White cup-shaped flowers nearly an inch wide are borne freely on spreading two-inch plants from June until September. Hardy, but shoots show up very late in spring, and should be marked to avoid spading out by accident. .25

### PHLOX

**Divaricata Canadensis**— Large, fragrant lavender-blue flowers in clusters in early spring. 10 inches. Especially good for shady places. .25

**Divaricata Alba**— Like the above, but almost pure white. .25

**Subulata** (Ground Phlox, Moss Pink) Showy, spreading plant with bright rose-pink flowers in early spring. Indispensable for rockeries or front of the border. 6 inches. .20

**PHYSOSTEGIA VIVID** (Obedient plant, false dragonhead) Bright rosy-pink flowers resembling snapdragons in September and October. About 1½ feet. Perfectly hardy. .20

**PLATYCODON GRANDIFLORUM** (Balloon Flower, Chinese Bell Flower) Large deep blue flowers on graceful stems June to September. Buds swell like little balloons before opening. Be careful not to pull up next year's buds with old stalks in fall. New shoots show up rather late in spring. .25

**PLUMBAGO LARPENTAE** (Leadwort) Deep blue flowers on spreading plants in late summer and fall. Rockeries. 8 inches. .25

**PRIMULA OFFICINALIS** (Polyanthus Primrose, Cluster Primrose) Bright clusters of small flowers on stems six to eight inches tall. For beds, borders, or rockeries. Cutting. Best in part shade. Like moisture for roots but keep crowns well drained. Yellow or orange. .25

**PYRETHRUM** (Painted Daisy) Ferny-foliaged plants bearing brilliant daisy-like flowers in shades of pink in early summer. Excellent for cutting. Not choosy about soil. Singles. .25

Doubles (from June on) .35

**RUDBECKIA LACINIATA** (Golden Glow) Probably there's too much of this around the country, but it's handy for hiding compost heaps, fences, etc., and it does make gay bouquets. .15

### IF IT'S WRONG I'LL MAKE IT GOOD

In order to avoid mix-ups varieties of plants which may be mistaken for each other are dug and labeled one plant at a time, but should any mistake arise I want to know about it. If it is impossible to supply the proper plant the price will be refunded. It will not be necessary to return the plant that shouldn't have been sent.

"Your plants arrived on Columbus Day, an especially fine time for me as I was able to plant them within a short time.

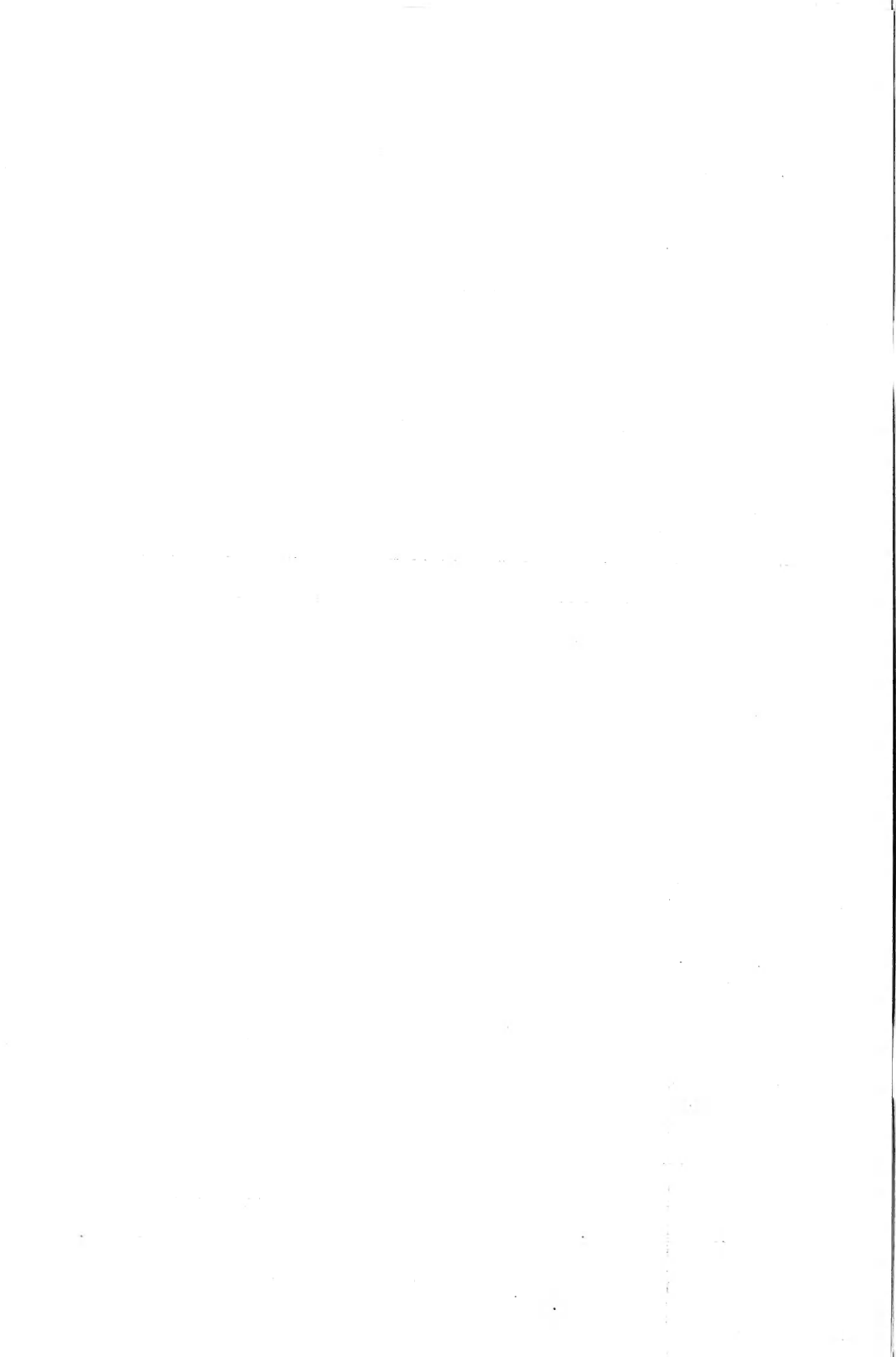
"I take this opportunity to write to you in order that I may express my appreciation for the splendid clumps that you sent me. They were all extremely healthy and am sure they will flower abundantly."—N. J.



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**SCABIOSA CAUCASIA** (Pincushion Flower) Large, soft, lavender-blue flowers on long, wiry stems, blooming persistently from June to September. Excellent for borders and cutting. Likes gritty soil, but isn't fussy.

**SEDUM** Primarily rock-garden plants, with succulent foliage, but may be used in general perennial border.

**Acre** (Gold Moss) Mass of yellow in early spring in mats two to three inches high. .20

**Spectabile Brilliant.** (Showy Stonecrop) Large heads of glowing rosy-crimson flowers in late summer. 1 foot. .30

**Spurium Coccineum** (Red Stonecrop) Heads of rosy-pink flowers in July. Foliage red spring and fall. 6 inches. .20

**SEMPERVIVUM TECTORUM** (Hen and Chickens, House Leek) Interesting, low-growing succulent. The parent rosette (hen) is surrounded by numerous offshoots (the chickens). Let it spread over rocks. .25

**STACHYS LANATA** (Lamb's Ear) The woolly, silver-gray foliage, in low rosettes, is an entrancing variation in the border. The pink flowers, borne on spikes, are inconsequential. Keep crowns dry. .25

**VALERIANA COCCINEA** (Red Valerian) Large heads of rosy-red flowers from June to August. Honey fragrance. Showy in the border and excellent for cutting. Our customers took all we had of these last year but another crop will be available in late June. .20

**VERONICA SPICATA** (Speedwell) Slender spikes of beautiful blue flowers on plants about 1½ feet high. Dry or moist soils, and fine for cutting. .25

**VINCA MINOR** (Periwinkle, Creeping Myrtle) Creeping ground-cover with pretty blue flowers in spring. Dark, glossy foliage. For that shady place where nothing will grow. .15

## IRIS CATALOG OUT IN JUNE

Our 1941 price list of modern irises will be published about the middle of June. In it you will find a large number of varieties of this glorious flower at moderate prices. If you haven't a collection of modern irises in your garden you are missing one of the greatest joys of gardening.

Iris shipping will begin about the middle of July. In the past I have begun to dig iris about July 1, but I have become convinced that by that date they have not ordinarily matured sufficiently to enable them to do their best after replanting.

**VIOLA CORNUTA** (Tufted Pansy) Smaller than the annual pansies, but are true perennials if planted in full sun. Bloom from spring to snowfall with us.

**York Gem** (Patented) Bright medium blue, vigorous grower. .25

**Mixed Shades**—Purple, garnet, maroon, etc. .20

**VIOLA ODORATA** (Sweet Violet) These have the lovely violet fragrance. Nothing more delightful for shady places. Prefer woody soil. Keep away from lime.

**Double English**—Withdrawn to increase stock.

**Singles**, good sized clumps. .25

**Rosina**—Dainty rosy-pink flowers, only a few. .30

**VIOLA TRICOLOR** (Johnny Jump-up) Little purple and yellow pansies from spring until fall. I don't know whether this is an annual or a short-lived perennial, but it reseeds itself freely, and once established comes along dependably each year. 3 for .25

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"The herbs and iris arrived today in the best of care. They were well wrapped and look very healthy. Planted them just before the rain this evening. Will recommend your plants to others."—Ohio.

## Old-Fashioned Garden Herbs

For your herb garden we offer a choice selection of hardy perennial plants, serving a variety of purposes. Some are desirable also for their flowers, and the foliage of all is attractive, should it be necessary to tuck them away in the flower border.

**BALM.** Used fresh in finger bowls or for garnishing cold summer drinks. **.20**

**CHIVES.** Tops have a mild, onion-like flavor. Used chopped in salads, etc., and the pink cloverlike blooms are beautiful in the border. **.20**

**HOREHOUND.** Silvery-green, furry foliage used for horehound tea, candy, etc. **.20**

**LAVENDER.** Tiny lavender-purple flowers, born in spikes, are dried to use in scenting linens, etc. An attractive border plant and useful for cutting. **.25**

**PENNYROYAL.** We like this for garden scent. Plant it where it can be stepped on lightly now and then. Or rub the aromatic leaves on the skin when mosquitoes become too persistent. **.20**

**ROSEMARY.** Kitchen herb with gingery fragrance for use with meats, soups, stews, etc. **.25**

**SAGE.** Indispensable for poultry dressings and a born companion of pork. Use fresh or dried. **.20**

**SPEARMINT.** Appreciates moist soil, but we grow it without difficulty in the open field. **.20**

**TANSY.** Flat clusters of small golden-yellow buttons. Foliage has full-bodied tansy aroma. This is the tall variety, growing about three feet high. **.20**

**THYME** (Broad-leaved English) Possibly the most appetizing of all culinary herbs. For meats, soups, stews, gravies, etc. **.20**

**WINTER SAVORY.** Delicate aromatic flavor. Used by itself or in combination with thyme and others. Also for flavoring liqueurs. **.20**

### COLLECTION

One each of above  
11 perennial herbs,  
value \$2.30  
for only **\$1.75**

#### Packed to LIVE!

Wherever the roots of plant will cling to a fair amount of soil when it is dug from the field, the plant will be shipped with this soil. Others will come wrapped in damp sphagnum moss. Every package that goes out is calculated to bring the plants through safely, even if delivery is delayed somewhat beyond the day when it might be expected to arrive at its destination.

However, if any plants bought from us should arrive dead, or fail to establish themselves after you have planted them in your garden, please let me know and I shall be glad to send replacements. That goes even if the fault is clearly that of the transportation company, and not my own. If I cannot replace any variety I shall refund its cost cheerfully.

Please note that I assume no responsibility beyond the original price of the plants concerned.

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"The iris came all O. K., are planted and growing fine."—N. Y.